

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the January 23, 2009 Office Action. Claims 1, 6-9, 16, and 20-26 are pending in the present application. Claims have been currently canceled. Claims 2-5, 10-15, and 17-19 have been previously canceled. Claims 1, 16 and 23 are independent. And claims 1, 6-9, 16, and 20-26 are currently amended.

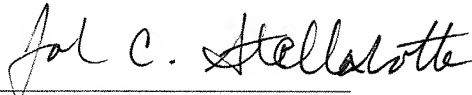
In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 1, 6-9, 16, and 20-26 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the Examiner's rejection of those claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants have amended those claims, without prejudice, as set forth above. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments obviate the Section 112 rejections in the Office Action. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art of record, that the application is in proper form for allowance of all claims, and earnestly solicits a notice to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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